

## EXPERTS GIVE TIP ON BACKYARD GARDENS

Consult Nature Before Planting  
and Pay No Attention to Cal-  
endar or Almanac.

Garden specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture give a tip today to amateur gardeners of the Capital. Consult nature before attempting garden planting, is their advice, and pay no attention to the calendar or almanac.

The old residents of the soil such as the maple, dogwood, and white oak are the best interpreters of nature's moods in spring, and quickly reflect them, so that the gardener, who follows their silent suggestions is advised to arrange the planting of his vegetables accordingly.

When the silver maples begin to put forth their leaves and the "catkins" appear on the willows and poplars, nature is indicating, department garden experts declare, that the season is right for the planting of such vegetables as lettuce, mustard, onion sets, parsley, the round-headed peas, early Irish potatoes, radishes, spinach and turnips. This, of course, is provided that the soil is in good order, which can be determined by taking a handful at a depth of three or four inches from the surface, compacting it in the hand by closing the fingers, and if, upon opening them, the ball of earth gradually falls apart, it is ready to be planted.

Fertilizer should be buried a full spade depth below the surface, and the soil be made fine and compact with an even surface. Beets and carrots should not be planted until about ten days after nature has set the time for these earlier plantings.

When the dogwood and the white oak begin to show signs of awakening, then other vegetables may be planted. These include bush and pole beans, sweet corn, cucumbers, muskmelons, watermelons, and varieties of squash.

"The gardener and housewife rarely will plant too early if they wait for nature to tell them what to do," the department garden experts insist, as a closing word to back-yard farmers.

**Miss Lila Van Kirk  
Closes Lecture Course**

Miss Lila Van Kirk, who has been presenting her second series of travel talks on Italian lakes, Pompeii and Venice, gave her final lecture at Woodward & Lothrop's this morning. Her talk was illustrated by beautiful slides. A party of the receipts of the lectures was given to charity.

## Races to Port as Acid Eats Up Ship

Skipper Barely Reaches St. John's  
Before Bottom of His  
Vessel Falls Out.

NEW YORK, March 25.—Aboard the Red Cross liner *Stephano* when she arrived today from St. John's was Captain Dowie, commander of the steamship *Desola*, which he raced to St. John's while a leaking cargo of sulphuric acid was eating out her bottom. Captain Dowie told for the first time the story of the *Desola's* disastrous trip. She left here for Ardrossan, Scotland, on January 9 laden with the sulphuric acid in tanks.

About 300 miles off St. John's a tank was discovered leaking, and the acid was gradually biting through the hull into the sea. A race against the inevitable falling out of the bottom began. The *Desola* reached St. John's on February 24, in time to land her crew and transfer part of the cargo. A few days later the *Desola's* acid-riddled bottom fell away, and she sank in twenty-five feet of water.

**Musical Is Held by  
Presbyterian Class**

A musical was given in the parlor of the *Epiphany* last night by members of the MacLeod class of the First Presbyterian Church. Vocal numbers were given by Miss Elizabeth Leckie, contralto, and Arthur Green, tenor; Franklin J. Jackson, Jr., acting as accompanist. Others on the program were Mrs. George Franklin Schutt and Miss Alletta Hannon, pianists, and Miss Margery Snyder, violinist, accompanied by Miss Dorothy Snyder.

**NOSE CLOGGED FROM  
A COLD OR CATARRH**

Apply Cream in Nostrils To  
Open Up Air Passages.

Ah! What relief! Your clogged nostrils open right up, the air passages of your head are clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, sniffling, mucous discharge, headache, dryness—no struggling for breath at night, your cold or catarrh is gone.

Don't stay stuffed up! Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Ely's Cream Balm is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer has been seeking. It's just splendid.—Adv.

## Charles Nesbit Tells Of Masonic Insurance

Insurance as a general subject and the aims of Masonic insurance were discussed last night at the annual dinner of the officers and general agents of the Masonic Mutual Insurance Association at the New Ebbitt. Charles F. Nesbit, Commissioner of Insurance for the District; Judge P. D. Winston, of Kansas City, Mo., and W. L. Anderson, of Virginia, were among the speakers. Charles J. O'Neal, president of the organization, presided.

**Wins Gold Prize.**

"The Octagon House" is the subject of the essay which has won the gold coin prize offered by H. B. Macfarland for the best treatment of some historic subject in or about Washington. The author of the essay is Miss Eleanor Eby.

**Easter Vacation Educational Tour.**

Baltimore & Ohio to New York City. Consult Ticket Agents for particulars.—Adv.

## Tech Players' Club to Give Athletic Benefit

"On to Frisco," a musical comedy, will be presented tonight, tomorrow night, and Saturday night at the McKinley Training School by the Tech Players' Club.

Everything is in readiness for the performance, the stage having been equipped with modern electrical devices, and some attractive costumes have been prepared by Tech students. One of the features will be the "red-haired next," comprising Misses Ord, Ford, Horton, Siles, Weinberg, and Carnahan.

The receipts will be turned over to the committee on athletics of the school.

## LOCAL MENTION.

Keystone Daily—Virginia. 608 9th st.

Phone Main 5260

And put your Want Ad in The Evening Times.

## HAHN'S NOVELTY Footwear for Spring

Has certainly captured the popular favor.  
**Dainty! Delightful!!  
Decidedly Different!!!**

Are among the many enthusiastic expressions we hear in our stores every hour of the day.

Added to the pronounced Beauty of these new styles—is the fact that they are all Reliable Qualities and

**Special Friday, at Only \$2.39**

These 4 snappy styles of new \$3 WOMEN'S LOW SHOES:

Patent Colt and Gun Metal Calf—"Spat" Pumps with gray or sand cloth top—or new Colonial with dark colored buckles. Spool or Cuban heels.

**Special Friday at \$2.39 Pair!**

**Women's New "VENUS" and  
"WI-MO-DAU-SIS" Low Shoes**

**at \$3.50**

Undoubtedly the most correctly styled and highest grade new shoes in town—under \$4 or \$5.

**White Boots  
For the Children**

Are selling fast these days. Here are two lines that should interest you tomorrow:

White Nubuck and best Sea Isle Duck Button Boots—built on wide toe "Rite Form" lasts—with rivet Pearl Buttons:

Sizes 6 to 8 **\$1.50 and \$2.00**  
Sizes 8½ to 11 **\$1.75 and \$2.00**  
Sizes 11½ to 12 **\$2.00 and \$2.50**

**Boys' and Girls' Seasonable Shoes**

**at \$1.95**

At the special price of \$1.95 we tomorrow offer:

Mixed new \$2.50 grade Patent Colt, Vici Kid, or Tan or Black Calfskin Dress Boots—with black cloth or genuine neat calf top. Sizes 11½ to 2.

Boys' durable \$2.50 grade "Boy Scout" Shoes. Brown elk skin with elk soles. They'll wear like iron! Sizes 10 to 12.

**Latest Novelties for Dressy  
Young Men in  
"\$3 Specials"**

The biggest \$3.00 worth of snap and go—service and value you ever saw.

**Ten Swagger New "English" Models:**

Tan or Black, with gray or fawn cloth top.  
Tan or Black with tops to match.  
Black with white rubber sole.

**"Some" Shoes—for Three Dollars!**

**McHahn & Co's**

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Sts. N. W.  
1914-1916 Pa.  
Ave. N. W.  
233 Pa. Avenue  
S. E.

**STRAND—TODAY—FRI.—SAT.**

**Celebrated Belasco Masterpiece**

**"The Governor's Lady"**  
With Ethel Wynn Mathison

**GARDEN—LAST DAY**

**"The Treasure of Louzats"**  
WITH THE CABIRIA STARS

**Thurs. Fri. and Sat.**

**COSMOS**

**Mats. 10-15c  
Eve's 15-25c**

**THE 5  
MUSICAL  
MARINES**

**A NOVELTY INSTRUMENTAL  
SPECIALTY—THE HIGHEST ORDER**

**Saunders & Van Kuntz**  
Comedy Songs  
Parodies &  
Rapport

**THE GENE  
MULLER  
TROUPE**

**Delpha Wood**  
The dainty  
Singing Girl

**GEO. CHODS presents**  
The New and Pretentious Musical Comedy  
**"LITTLE MISS U.S.A."**  
by Walter Rosenburg

**JEFFERSON  
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**"HEALTH BY  
THE YEAR"**  
A rollicking film comedy  
FIRST TIME SHOW

STIEFF PIANO USED EXCLUSIVELY

## "The Busy Corner"

### S. Kann Sons & Co.

Open  
8:30 A. M.

8th St. and Penna. Ave.

Close  
5:30 P. M.

**New Lots Ready Friday**

## Trimmed Hats

Of Exceptional Quality at **\$5.00**

We consider it nothing more than proper self-congratulation to claim that they are the best in quality, in tastefulness, and variety we have ever presented at this price.

**JUST TO PROVE THIS TO YOUR OWN SATISFACTION,** come tomorrow and see the beautiful new models that have arrived.

Dreams in old rose that are as beautiful as blossoms. Sand-colored Hats that have a certain chic all their own. Demure styles in black and white, as well as dashing effects in the same combination.

New blues that can express either the military influence, or be very feminine and charming.

Large Sailor shapes and other new models, trimmed in wings, flowers, and velvet ribbons.

Millinery Store—Second Floor.



**REALLY SENSATIONAL**  
To Think of Buying  
**SLEEVELESS  
Net GUIMPES**  
**at 15c**

They are regular 25c value, but to think of getting a guimpe at 15c is unusual.

We have them of plain net, shadow lace, and point d'esprit net, in white and black.

Bargain Table—Street Floor.

**Discontinued Patterns**  
50c to 75c  
**BRASSIERES**  
Choice of the Lot—**29c**

Square neck styles, in button back models, some with embroidered yokes, some hook front styles, trimmed back and front, some cut "V" neck in front and square back, and some of all-over embroidery. Sizes range from 32 to 18. Tomorrow at only 29c.

Women's Wear Store—2d floor.

**The Fascination  
VEIL**

A 50c Value, **35c**  
at . . . . .

New and really "fascinating" in a neat hexagon mesh, with a chenille dotted border, in black only, 1½ yards long.

Veiling Store—Street Floor.

## \$30 Values in Tailored Suits

For Women and Misses, In an Important Friday Sale at **\$19.90**

Another of the wonderful opportunities our buying facilities bring to you just in time for Easter wear.

**SUITS IN 18TH CENTURY EFFECTS—**  
ETON SUITS  
NORFOLK SUITS  
PLAIN TAILORED SUITS

**ZOUAVE SUITS  
COUNTRY CLUB SUITS  
PONY SUITS  
TRIMMED SUITS**

All made in the latest and most approved styles and in an assortment of fine high-grade suitings that are not duplicated in this vicinity at anywhere near as low as our regular price. All sizes to select from.

**Of Course You Want a Separate Skirt**

OPPORTUNITY FRIDAY IN A NEW LOT OF VERY LATEST MODELS JUST ADDED TO OUR SECOND-TO-NONE ASSORTMENTS. SPECIAL AT **\$3.95**

**Come Early for These, You  
Will Need to for Best  
Selection**

**"Run-of-the-Mill"  
SHEETS**  
**Choice, 29c**

They are somewhat damaged, but the price much more than offsets any slight injury.

Bleached and unbleached, single and three-quarter bed sheets.

Many in the lot have only slight oil stains or crooked hems.

Tomorrow's price will make them fly out at once; so we emphasize the warning—**COME EARLY.**

Bargain Table—Street Floor.

**REMNAINT  
LENGTHS  
From Stock in These  
WASH  
GOODS**

**Worth to 73c  
19c, yd.**

If you are economically minded, and consult your own interests, you will not stay away from this special remnant counter tomorrow. Here is the assortment to select from:

Pecoles Gingham, Crepes, Strong Cloth, Poplins, Voiles, and Some Tissue Crepes.

All good lengths, good designs, and wanted colorings.

**APRON GINGHAMS,** in a variety of different sized plaids and checks, in blue, brown, and green combined with white. Special 47c

Wash Goods Store and Bargain Table—Street Floor.

**A Sale to Bring You  
Hurrying**

**5,000 Mill  
Remnants of  
LININGS**

**IN THREE LOTS**

The assortment consists of Lining Satins, Poplins, Silks, etc., in colors and black, in lengths ranging from ½ to 1½ yards, to go at a fraction of real worth as follows:

Lot 1 Lot 2 Lot 3  
15c each 25c each 35c each

**MILL REMNANTS OF  
OTHER LININGS,** including Satens, Percalines, Canvases, etc., in black and colors; worth to 35c a yard. 16c

At a yard. . . . . 16c

Lining Store and Bargain Table—Street Floor.

**End of the Month Clearing**  
Odds and Ends and Broken Lines

**Infants' and  
Girls' Apparel**

Quantities are limited, therefore hurry to realize the savings.

18 Serge Dresses, 3 and 4 year sizes, \$5.00 values, \$2.99  
24 White Middy Suits, 12 and 14 year sizes, \$2.00 values, \$1.00  
30 Colored Chrys. Dresses, 14 year sizes, \$2.00 values, \$1.00  
60 Middy Blouses, 14 to 20 year sizes, \$1.00 values, \$1.00  
6 Princess Slips, 16 and 18 year sizes, \$1.00 values, \$1.00  
24 Girls' White Tatin Skirts, \$1.25 values, \$1.00  
15 Infants' Hand-Made Dresses, \$1.50 values, \$1.00  
2 Infants' White Lawn Caps, 50c values, \$1.00  
18 Infants' White Lawn Caps, 25c values, \$1.00  
24 Infants' Soft Sole Shoes, 50c values, \$1.00

Small lot of Hats, Bonnets, Sacques, Rompers, Pillow Slips, Towels, Skirts, Sleeping Suits, etc. Less than 5c. Marked Prices.

Little Folk's Store, Second Floor.

**You Will Not Soon Forget This  
Friday Clearance  
—OF—  
Silk Remnants**

Involving thousands of yards of the season's most popular weaves and colorings, selling regularly at 50c to \$2.00.

Remnants of Colored Taffetas. . . . . 14 to 10 Yard Lengths  
Remnants of Crepe de Chine. . . . .  
Remnants of Colored Messalines. . . . .  
Remnants of Novelty Marquises. . . . .  
Remnants of Foulards. . . . .  
Remnants of Printed Pongees. . . . .  
Remnants of Printed Crepes. . . . .  
Remnants of Striped Pongees. . . . .  
Remnants of Novelty Silks. . . . .  
Remnants of Tulle Silks. . . . .  
Remnants of Bulgarian Silks. . . . .  
Remnants of Crepe Metcours. . . . .

**59c**

**YARD**

**Full Pieces 50c to 85c Silks**

Both novelties and plain colors at a record price for this Friday.

Choice a Yard

Messalines  
Novelty Chiffons  
Foulards  
Pongees

**30c**

Black Messalines  
Striped Messalines  
Tulle Silks  
Figured Rattine  
Colored Rattine

Silk Store, Street Floor.